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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

DISTRIBUTED REASSEMBLY OF SUBDIVIDED PACKETS USING

MULTIPLE REASSEMBLY COMPONENTS

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AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Office action dated June 25, 2004, and the references cited have been fully considered. In response, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Reconsideration and/or further prosecution of the application is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the current listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

A copy of a previously filed e-IDS is attached to this paper.